

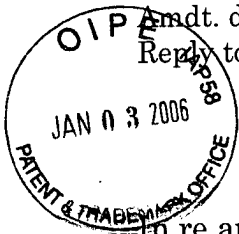
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**AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 28, 2005, the time for response to which is extended by three months to December 28, 2005, please amend this application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 4 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures and a Declaration under 37 CFR 1.131 is attached following page 6 of this paper.